

1945 Merry Christmas one and all

A Salute

to our friends and a big, hearty Christmas wish to you all, this merry, merry Christmas season.

Looking back over the year calls to mind our greatest source of pleasure has been our contact with folks like you.

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Appomattox, Va.

To Our Friends at CHRISTMAS

A GOOD WAY to keep Christmas well is to bring joy to everyone we can. This, we believe, is the spirit of this community . . . one of the important reasons why living here affords such genuine pleasure.

To you who have stood by us so faithfully during the year 1945 we wish a whole world of happiness pressed into this Christmas season. Merry Christmas to you and to every member of your family.

**Appomattox Hardware Co., Inc.**

A Merry Christmas

AS the light of Christmas again brightens our faces and lightens our hearts, we turn our thoughts from ourselves to help others. For this is the spirit that first saw the light of day in a stable at Bethlehem, two thousand years ago, and which has endured ever since.

May God bless and protect you and your dear ones and bring happiness to your home this Christmas season.

**Natural Beauty Salon**

ROSA MAE WOOLDRIDGE, Mgr.

**Oakville**

Oakville, Dec. 17.—Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Martin, Jr., of Lynchburg, have announced the birth of a son, born December 12, at Guggenheimer Memorial Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Martin, Sr. visited them Sunday.

Mrs. Mittle Harvey, of Spout Spring spent several days of last week in the home of her sister Mrs. O. W. Martin, Sr. Others visiting in this same home during last weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard Moore.

Miss J. C. Moore, Jr., and her days last week at Myrtle Beach, S. C., visiting Mrs. Moore's brother, who has been ill.

Pvt. Warren Martin, of the U. S. Army, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Graydon Martin several days last week.

Pauline Wilkerson has received his discharge from the U. S. Army, and is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wilkerson.

Miss Lillian Hawley, of Blackstone, Va., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. Roland Smith this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Hunter visited relatives here last weekend.

Rev. W. M. Black gave another fine sermon at Red Oak Church on Sunday A. M. It has been a real pleasure having him with us at our church.

There are many around us who are sick. We hope then soon be well again.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Page, a baby girl.

Misses June, Mae and Joyce Proffitt and Robert and John Durie visited Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Durie last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hamilton, of Newport News visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lucadone this week.

Pvt. John W. Meaginnon, of the U. S. Army received his honorable discharge this week, and is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Meaginnon.

Mr. and Mrs. James Martin and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Martin.

**Chap News**

Chap, Dec. 18.—Only a few more days before Christmas, sadness has visited many of our homes since last Christmas.

Rev. Cecil Carter and his appointment at Central Sunday afternoon. Rev. and Mrs. Carter were Sunday night supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Mann.

Miss Louise Smith is at home this week. She spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Mary Wood.

Sunday visitors of Mrs. Wood were T. T. Pugh, of Lynchburg, Dean Pugh, and daughter, Audrey, burg Friday shopping.

Miss Lucille Ferguson spent a few days last week with Myrna Boase.

Miss Mildred Love, of Hampton Roads is visiting home people.

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**Oakville**

**MERRIEST Christmas OF ALL 1945**

And now comes another Christmas to be added to your store of memories. We hope this Christmas of 1945 will be a very enjoyable one—a truly happy one—filling all the fine traditions of Christmas.

Accept our hearty thanks for the pleasant business associations of the past year. Once again we say

**Merry Christmas!**

**JOHNSON'S ESSO SERVICE**

H. G. JOHNSON, prop. Appomattox, Va.

**Christmas Joy**

PEACE ON EARTH—GOOD WILL TOWARD ALL MEN—

EVERY holiday has its significance, but none can compare with Christmas. It is the one time of the year when self-seeking gives way to selflessness, and all are united in one common attitude of good will towards our fellowmen.

Our entire personnel joins in wishing Christmas joy to those whom we have served, and to others as well. Accept our sincere thanks for the privilege of being of help in making this Christmas of 1945 truly merry.

**THE BANK OF APPOMATTOX**

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VEREANS—The local American Legion Post wants your membership.

**News of Our Service Men**

Part III, Okla., Dec. 26 (AP)—Lieutenant Colonel Edward C. Greys, Jr., Appomattox, Va., is in the Office of Administration subjects in the Department of Combined Arms of the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill, was awarded the Legion of Merit for "exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from November 1943 to January 1945 as senior ground officer in the Air Cooperation Section of the Command Wing, Fourteenth Air Force."

The Silver Star medal was presented to Pfc. Henry T. Charnault, Appomattox, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Charnault, with the following citation: "Pfc. H. T. Charnault, 175th Inf., U. S. Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy in Germany. On the night of 21 December 1944 while in command of a five-man combat outpost located on the west bank of the . . . river, Pfc. Charnault was seriously wounded by enemy artillery fire. Painfully and handicapped by partial blindness, Pfc. Charnault elected to remain although in need of immediate medical attention. Encouraged by his presence, his men successfully frustrated enemy patrols attempting to infiltrate their position. It was only after his group had been relieved three hours later that he was evacuated for his wounds. This determination, disregard for personal safety, and leadership displayed by Pfc. Charnault reflect great credit upon himself and the military service."

W. D. Morris, who had been stationed in Mississippi, has returned to Appomattox, after having received his discharge. He was accompanied here by Mrs. Morris.

Lt. James Elliott Chesham, who has been serving overseas, has notified his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. E. Chesham, that he has arrived in the States and expects to be home soon.

Dyer T. Almond, who has been serving overseas for several years, is at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Almond.

J. L. Woodriddle, U. S. Navy, stationed at Annapolis, Md., is at home on leave.

Sgt. F. T. Cawthorn, Jr., of Petersburg, is spending the holidays here with his mother.

Capt. Charlie Abbit, of Maxton, N. C., is spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Abbit, Sr., of Vera.

Pfc. Fred Hanenkrat, who is a patient at Woodrow Wilson Army Hospital, "Staunton," is spending his leave here with his mother. He is recovering from a recent operation.

With the 32nd Infantry Division, Northern Kyushu, Japan.—Pvt. Daniel E. Hamilton, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Hamilton, Appomattox, arrived in the Philippines in September and was assigned to the famed 32nd (Red Arrow) Division. The Red Arrow men in six operations during 42 months in the Pacific killed over 35,000 Japs. Private Hamilton is a rifleman in Headquarters Company of the 32nd Infantry Regiment, which killed Alapa, Morotai, Leyte and Luzon. The 32nd is now occupying the island of Kyushu.

On the USS Benner, Tokyo Bay.—John J. Gillite, ship's cook, third class, Appomattox, Va., serves as a ship's cook on the USS Benner, a fleet destroyer with the Asiatic Fleet based in Tokyo Bay.

Secretary Byrnes satisfied with results of conference of foreign ministers in Moscow.

**Abbitt to Head Paralysis Campaign**

W. M. Abbitt has accepted the directorship for Appomattox County of the 1946 "March of Dimes" campaign for funds to fight infantile paralysis. W. Ludwell Baldwin, of Norfolk, state chairman of the drive, announced today.

The campaign is scheduled, as in previous years for January 14-31. It will reach its climax once more on the birthday of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt, who devoted much of his time and interest during the past 15 years to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

In announcing Mr. Abbitt's appointment, Mr. Baldwin called attention to the "serious need" for heavy contributions during the 1946 campaign. "The past six months have seen 1,000 cases of infantile paralysis have been reported in Virginia. The Old Dominion has suffered through two consecutive epidemic years, and the thousands of Virginia children have been included in caring for the Virginia patients."

Over this past 16-month period the National Foundation has sent into Virginia upwards of \$300,000 to provide hospitalization and medical attention for the young victims. This sum is in addition to the more than \$100,000 paid out by the local chapters.

**FLANNAGAN TO TOUR THE PACIFIC AREA**

Representative John W. Flannagan, of Virginia's Ninth District, is a member of the House subcommittee scheduled to take off for the Pacific area and Japan on January 5 to investigate the possibility of both silk worm and rubber cultivation in this country.

Gen. Patton's grave marked by simple white cross.

**Heavy Tax Boosts Adopted in Japan**

TOKYO.—Sharp tax increases have been adopted by Japan's government for the coming fiscal year to offset great slumps in revenues owing to termination of the war, Domei said. Prices of government monopoly products also will be raised as a revenue measure, Domei reported.

**Boy Wonder of Chess**

Although only 13 years old, Arturo Pomar of Madrid, Spain, is on his way to be among the world's foremost exponents of the ancient game of chess. He has played against the best of Spain's chess players and has been invited to participate in the tournament to be held in London in the near future.

Production of tires increased.

**Must Use 1945 AAA Material By Dec. 31st**

The 1945 Triple-A conservation program year ends December 31. W. Nash, chairman of the Appomattox County Committee, today sounded a warning to all farmers who have received materials, such as lime or phosphate. He pointed out that failure to use the material by December 31 will mean that the allowance for 1946 will be reduced by that amount. It will also mean that conservation of the soil in the county will be delayed to some extent.

Mr. Nash stated that at the close of the 1944 program year farmers in Appomattox County had on their farms about \$7,255 worth of material, which had not been used. If this transferred material is not properly used by the end of 1945, the farmers will be charged a sum equal to double the original cost of such material. All County AAA officials are anxious to have the farmers avoid this charge by using the AAA material and reporting promptly to the county office.

Although only a few days remain, Mr. Nash stated that 300 farmers who received AAA conservation material in 1945 have not reported its use. He urged that all reports be made promptly as possible, in order that the programs of the 1946 year may not be delayed.

**Chinese Reds set term for a truce in the civil war in China.**

Hospital fire kills 16 in Hartford, Conn.

Korea may get independence.

Riggin urges Statewide health plan for Virginia.

**Science Builds Air Field That Floats**

Can Be Assembled by 40 Men In an Hour's Time.

LONDON.—Floating air fields in midocean, and even floating highway bridges across such waters as the English channel, now are technically possible, the British admiral said.

Scientists have found a method of floating landing strips and "bridges" on water like a carpet, the admiral said in disclosing details of the first experimental ocean air base.

The experimental airstrip, called "lily" because of its resemblance to lily leaves on a pond, consists of hundreds of buoyancy cans with hexagonal surfaces.

These are linked together so that they give to the motion of the sea from any direction, yet remain sufficiently rigid to take the weight of heavy aircraft.

The whole surface of "lily" is flexible so that it will not break up. The flexibility is controlled by use of underwater dampers. At present the cans are only 6 feet across and 30 inches deep, but the admiral said their size could be scaled up to take a greatly increased weight.

Aircraft loaded with 5,000 pounds of freight have landed and have taken off from a test strip only 520 feet long and 60 feet wide.

Floating seadromes of this experimental size can be assembled by 40 men in an hour's time, the official statement said.

They can be taken apart, transported in ships and reassembled anywhere. With the buoyancy can view developed, a strip 2,500 feet long could be moved in three merchant ships.

Their creator, identified by the admiral as R. M. Hamilton, an inventor who has been invited to participate in the outbreak of the war, said that "lily" remains flat in waves up to 36 feet from crest to crest.

**Introducing - Richwood**

From a list of 46 names sent in by Times-Virginian readers a new community between Red House and Appomattox has been named. The name selected is: RICHWOOD

The winning name was sent in by Mrs. Bruce Paulette, and she received a prize of \$5.00, donated by a Richwood citizen.

Judges making the selection were: Miss Audrey Pugh, George F. Abbitt, Jr., and C. H. Robinson. The contest aroused considerable interest, and the judges wish to thank all those who sent in names.

Elsewhere in today's issue, the Times-Virginian presents a column of news from "Richwood." It is hoped that this column can be published each week, and that the people of the county will use this new name when referring to this community.

**Digest Article Lays Adult Education**

Special to Times-Virginian

In many parts of Virginia, and elsewhere, men and women are enrolling in evening classes at school and learning vocational skills by using the school's top-notch facilities to do their own farm equipment repair work, their home canning and other tasks. This practical form of adult education is the subject of an article by Arthur Bartlett in The Reader's Digest for January.

The Digest article, contributed from Country Gentleman, states that this movement started in 1940 when Congress appropriated funds for the U. S. Office of Education to train adults in rural areas for work in war plants. Later, as the manpower shortage hit farms, and new farm machinery became unavailable, the program was changed, its aim now being to help farmers keep their own equipment in running order. Federal funds were appropriated for this purpose.

With the war over, "that special financial fountain has dried up," the article says. But farmers and farm wives are still using the shops and canneries regularly, local and state school officials are supporting the movement, and in some places farmers themselves supply the initiative and the cash. In Virginia, funds are raised through the appropriation of the author notes. The Buckingham, Virginia, canneries, costing 45,000 last year served 500 farm wives who put up nearly 50,000 cans of vegetables. (Note: the canneries are mentioned most favorably in this article.)

Mr. Bartlett observes that school children see add-d importance in their own vocational work after watching adults "eagerly" seizing the opportunities offered by the school. Parents gain new respect for the school, and this attitude is reflected in better attendance records of the children. The social side of these activities, the article states, is a definite part of their appeal.

**Sugar Still on Shortage List**

Replying to stories of war-houses "rotting" with sugar," Bernard C. Goodwin, Rouse OPA District Director has stated that a survey of December 1 showed that present sugar supplies in the Southeast, rather than being plentiful, are in fact 16 percent less than at the same time last year. Additional receipts for the next two months are expected to be below those for the corresponding period a year ago, he added, which indicates the critical shortage will continue.

The turn of the year will find only 300,000 tons of sugar available from Cuba and Puerto Rico in "carry over" stocks from the preceding crop, Mr. Goodwin explained, and this is a 70 percent drop from the quantity available last January 1st. The Department of Agriculture, which allocates sugar to OPA for civilian rationing has not indicated any expected increase in the near future.

Bond purchases made to December 31 count in the Victory Loan campaign.

**Local Officer Has New 2-Way Police Radio**

Town officer and deputy sheriff David T. Robertson announces that his car has now been equipped with a two-way police radio. Any one wishing to reach Mr. Robertson telephone the state police radio station at Appomattox, and they will broadcast the message to him.

Keep cutting pulpwood.

**Tire Rationing Will End First of New Year**

Effective midnight, January 1, tires will no longer be rationed. Those who have been holding certificates will have an opportunity to purchase tires before they are available to everyone.

Between now and January 1, tire certificates will be issued only in cases of dire necessity.

The lifting of tires from rationing does not mean that there will be an ample supply, but motorists should be able to obtain tires within a reasonable length of time.

The OPA will continue to control the price of tires.

Government of France cuts into half value of the franc.

Mrs. Patton returns from the funeral of her husband.

**New List of Discharged Servicemen**

The following persons have been cleared from the service (The local Board located in the Dormitory Building will be glad to interview any veteran wanting information regarding his rights or benefits or in securing employment.)

Samuel Richard Woodson  
Hunt P. Hamilton  
Roland S. Sappington  
John Foudratt Wheeler  
Gilbert E. Wilson  
Kenneth W. Kinney  
Henry L. Sears  
Meridith R. Powell  
Reginald Gyder  
Willis H. Larson II  
Raymond T. Crawley  
Gourney J. Brown  
Morton A. Nester  
Kenneth D. Almond  
Charles H. Turner  
Arnold K. Myers  
William D. Morris  
Shirley E. Reynolds  
Daniel T. Gull  
Beatty T. Brown  
Charlie S. Austin  
Nannie S. Chilton  
Douglas H. Tetty  
Kenneth C. Grishaw  
William D. Phelps  
Russell A. Charnault  
John W. Meaginnon  
Joseph B. Watson  
Carl A. Collins, Jr.  
George C. Wilkes  
George S. Williams  
Robert M. Babcock  
Luther Carlton Godsey